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Dear Agricultural Operator

This letter is the second notice to agricultural operators in the Sanpitch Watershed regarding the Conservation Security Program (CSP). CSP is designed to compensate the best land stewards and encourage them to do more. **It is important to note that the Sanpitch Watershed will not be eligible again for several years.**

To be eligible the participant / land must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ The majority of your land must fall within the boundaries of the Sanpitch Watershed.
- ✓ Land must be in agricultural production (Recreational, domestic, or land you cash lease to others are not eligible)
- ✓ If the land to be offered is not owned by the applicant - documentation (lease, written statement) is needed that you have control of the land to be offered.
- ✓ You must complete the self assessment workbook
- ✓ You must have a plan map, aerial photo, hand drawn sketch map – showing fields, acres and land uses to be offered.
- ✓ You must have two years of records documenting management of each type of land use offered in to the program.

To date two informational meetings were held in January. We are now planning two meetings to answer specific questions regarding the workbook and records that are needed. The meetings will be held **March 29, 2005** at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm, located at the Manti City Building (NRCS office), 50 South Main, on the second floor in the auditorium. Please bring your workbook, pencil and paper to take notes. **Note: If you missed the first meeting or this is your first notice, we will plan on providing a very brief summary of the previous meeting.**

We anticipate that the official announcement of the CSP sign-up will be towards the end of March. At that time we will schedule a 2-3 hour appointment with you in the office to review your application; we will also make a field visit to your farm. Your application will consist of your completed workbook and records, **we understand that NRCS may have as little as 30 days to process all applications, so all workbooks and records must be complete before your appointment.**

If you cannot make one of these meetings, or have questions stop in the office or call (435) 835-4111.

Thank you,

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